Dear Gerry, 11/11/89

Thanks for your 11/6 good wishes. I believe I sent you a short note on what happened when - was at hopkins Tuesday but if I didn't the cardiologist there agreed with with my family doctor, who says I'm a poor candidate for further surgery and the local cardiologist, who says I really do require catheterization to determine the nature and extent of the blockage(s?) in my coronary arteries. He says the condition of my arteries is inferior to that of my veins, that they'll enter the arteries at a shoulder or arm, that he anticiaptes no emergencies in this procedure but in the event they have one they can still find veins other than in the legs that they can use, that if surgery or angioplasty is indicated it will not be done then, and that I should have no problems going ahead with the seminar for Jerry's classes on the 7th. My belief is that he expects to find serious problems although he didn't say this. My feeling is that I'm in the best possible hands there, based on previous experiences and observations and the kind of doctofs I've had there. The date has not yet been set but he had Thanksgiving week in mind, as Lil recalls.

She is OK but is abed with a throat infection that took her voice. The doctor has heron antibiotics with instructions not to talk at all. She did hear from your library in the same mail with your letter and as I recall she sent them a copy of the invoice by return mail. Thanks.

It was no problem making arrangements for the copying and if when you are here you want copies made all that will be required will be transporting two file drawers to the place that makes the copies. You may wan them for later examination, perhaps during the summer, or for students. Either way, no real trouble. But it would be better and less costly to use my originals because Good made its copies on both sides of each sheet. Takes less space that way but costs labor time in copying.

Agreed that some of the best, like Sheehan, believe the official lies about the political assassinations, but they can't question all that should be questioned and they lived and worked with the reporters who had little choice but to go along with the official mythologies. Those who didn't, and I have one in particular in mind, found themselves on ever-shifting assignments that removed them from work on the stories. Our society has become one in which reporters on such stories have few sources other than officials and face editors who are or pretend to be impressed with what officials say.

You say you can't remember where I wrote that or said that JFK had said that he had many challenges to meet and thingsbto do before he laid to rest. I'm sure I had Frost's poem in mind. I'm not sure of the title but it is something like The Lights of the City. In it he wrote we have promises to keep and miles to go before we sleep. I liked that poem as a student and JFK also did. Remember, he had Frost at his inauguration. Yes, I have tried to live with that, more as a first-generation American. You may have heard me say that being the first member of my family EVER born into freedom I had promises to keep and it is wonderful to have had the opposrtunity to make the effort.

Hope you are all weall and that you'll still be up on your break.

Best,

Harry